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REFERENCES TO SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION INITIATIVES

1. SUMMARY: SIXTH SPECIAL UNGA SESSION CONTINUOUSLY REFERRED TO IN SPEECHES TO 18TH GOVERNING COUNCIL. PRESIDENT MARCOS REFERRED SPECIFICALLY TO FORTHCOMING NATURE OF OPEC COUNTRIES AND CITED VARIOUS PLEDGES, INCLUDING 500 MILLION US DOLLAR IRAQ PLEDGE. IN INFORMAL EXCHANGE WITH UNDP ADMINISTRATOR PETERSON, US DELEGATE (KITCHEN) WAS TOLD THAT PETERSON WOULD NOT OBJECT TO CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND BECOMING GENESIS OF SPECIAL FUND FOR MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES EITHER UNDER UN OR WITHIN UNDP FRAMEWORK. UNDP ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR LA (VALDEZ) INFORMED KITCHEN THAT PREBISCH CONTEMPLATES STAFF OF UP TO 60 TO ADMINISTER EMERGENCY MEASURES AND LAUNCH LONGER-TERM SPECIAL FUND. END SUMMARY.

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2. DURING JUNE 5 ADDRESS TO UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL PRESIDENT MARCOS REFERRED TO "COMMENDABLE SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY SHOWN BY OIL-EXPORTING COUNTRIES IN PROMPTLY TAKING PRACTICAL STEPS TO HELP POOR COUNTRIES MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS". HE WENT ON TO REVIEW SHAH OF IRAN'S INITIATIVE, SAUDI ARABIAN WORLD FOOD PROGRAM US DOLLAR 50 MILLION DONATION, KUWAIT'S PLAN TO INCREASE CAPITAL OF ITS OWN DEVELOPMENT FUND TO OVER THREE BILLION US DOLLARS AND VENEZUELA'S GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO DEVELOPMENT AID PROGRAMS MAINLY FOR BENEFIT OF LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. PRESIDENT MARCOS ALSO SINGLED OUT IRAQ AND SAID IT IS COMMITTED TO CONTRIBUTE 500 MILLION US DOLLARS, MOSTLY IN FORM OF GRANTS AND LOANS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. FYI: IRAQ DELEGATION CONFIRMED 500 MILLION US DOLLAR FIGURE WHEN US DELEGATE INFORMALLY SOUGHT CLARIFICATION. IRAQIS STATED SUCH PLEDGE HAS BEEN OR SOON WILL BE RELEASED BY THEIR NEW YORK MISSION AND WOULD CONSIST OF POTENTIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO MULTILATERAL PROGRAMS AS WELL AS SUPPORT OF THEIR INCREASING BILATERAL PROGRAMS. WHEN ASKED WHETHER POSITION WOULD BE O CONTRIBUTED TO SPECIAL FUND, THEY INDICATED THIS MOST LIKELY BUT DECLINED TO COMMENT FURTHER.

3. CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (CDF): RELATEDLY, UNDP ADMINSTRATOR PETERSON INFORMED MINISTER COUNSELOR KITCHEN THAT HE HAD TOLD SYG WALDHEIM THAT IF THE SYG WERE TO FIND IT HELPFUL, HE WOULD NOT BE ADVERSE TO SEEING THE SMALL CDF THAT UNDP NOW ADMINISTERS SPUN OFF FROM UNDP TO THE UN SECRETARIAT AS THE NUCLEUS OF THE SPECIAL UN FUND TO BE CREATED AS AN OTHGROWTH OF THE DECISIONS OF THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. HE IS ALSO PREPARED TO HAVE CDF REMAIN WITHIN UNDP AND ASSUME FUNCTIONS OF THE SPECIAL FUND. PETERSON SAID HE TOLD SYG THAT UNDP WAS PREPARED TO PLAY ANY KIND OF LARGE OR SMALL SUPPORTIVE, ADVISORY, OR ADMINISTRATIVE ROLE RE THE SPECIAL FUND THAT SYG DESIRED; THAT PETERSON PLANNED TO INVOLVE HIMSELF MORE THAN HE HAD DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION; AND THAT HE FELT IT IMPORTANT THAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND RELATED DEVELOPMENTAL COMPONENTS WHERE UNDP HAD EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE, INCLUDING UNDP'S NETWORK OF RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES, BE FACTORED IN AND UTILIZED BY THE SPECIAL FUND.

4. PREBISCH MISSION: IN LATER CORRIDOR CONVERSATION WITH UNDP ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR LA, VALDEZ, KITCHEN INFORMED THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PREBISCH ENVISIONS A SECRETARIAT OF UP TO 60 PEOPLE TO ADMINISTER THE COMBINATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES AND LONGER-TERM SPECIAL FUND ACTIVITIES. VALDEZ REGARDS THIS LOOSE GUESTIMATING AS INDICATIVE OF THE POOR ADMINISTRATIVE CONCEPTUALIZATION WHICH PREBISCH AND SIDNEY DELL ARE SERVING UP.
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